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ANNEX A

REGULATION 28: REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS (1)

*NOTE: This form is to be used **after** an inquest.*

	<p>THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Adrian Ball, Chief Executive, East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust, Conquest Hospital, The Ridge, St Leonards-on-Sea 2. ██████████ Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust, Royal Sussex County Hospital, Eastern Road, Brighton 3. Medico-Legal Department, East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust, Conquest Hospital, The Ridge, St. Leonards-on-Sea
1	<p>CORONER</p> <p>I am Veronica HAMILTON-DEELEY, Senior Coroner, for the City of Brighton and Hove</p>
2	<p>CORONER'S LEGAL POWERS</p> <p>I make this report under paragraph 7, Schedule 5, of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 and regulations 28 and 29 of the Coroners (Investigations) Regulations 2013.</p>
3	<p>INVESTIGATION and INQUEST</p> <p>On 21st September 2017 I commenced an investigation into the death of Barry John TUCKER The investigation concluded at the end of the inquest on 16th January 2018. The conclusion of the inquest was NARRATIVE CONCLUSION (see 4 below)</p>
4	<p>CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH</p> <p>See Record of Inquest</p>
5	<p><u>CORONER'S CONCERNS</u></p> <p>During the course of the inquest the evidence revealed matters giving rise to concern. In my opinion there is a risk that future deaths will occur unless action is taken. In the circumstances it is my statutory duty to report to you.</p>

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	<p>The MATTERS OF CONCERN are as follows: –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Mr. Tucker received no pre-op preparation. (2) The Urology Consultant Surgeon was away during his admission and he had no senior input. (3) The Enhanced Recovery Nurse Specialist was also away during his admission. He never met her or received any paperwork from her (4) He never received a copy of the leaflet "Enhanced Recovery after having a Cystectomy". (5) Mr. Tucker's hospital notes from arriving on Michelham Ward were suboptimal, lacking continuity, incomplete and unhelpful. (6) Eastbourne District General Hospital's system for recalling patients to the Urology ward following discharge, if they need to go in by ambulance, is flawed. (7) There is no coherent discharge planning protocol in place for enhanced recovery procedures in respect of urology patients.
6	<p>ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN</p> <p>In my opinion action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe you AND your organisation have the power to take such action.</p>
7	<p>YOUR RESPONSE</p> <p>You are under a duty to respond to this report within 56 days of the date of this report, namely by 5th March 2018. I, the coroner may extend the period.</p> <p>Your response must contain details of action taken or proposed to be taken, setting out the timetable for action. Otherwise you must explain why no action is proposed.</p>
8	<p>COPIES and PUBLICATION</p> <p>I have sent a copy of my report to the Chief Coroner and to the following Interested Persons</p> <p style="text-align: center;">[REDACTED]</p>

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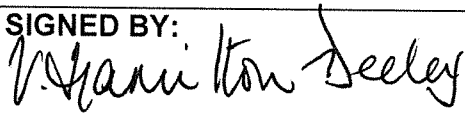
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	<p>2. [REDACTED] Counsel 3. [REDACTED] Chief Officer, CCG, Eastbourne 4. [REDACTED] Head of Legal Services, SECAMB 5. Secretary of State for Health, Department of Health 6. Simon Stevens, Chief Executive, NHS England 7. [REDACTED] Medico-Legal Service Manager, Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust,</p> <p>I have also sent it to:-</p> <p>8. [REDACTED] Consultant Lead, Urology in Eastbourne 9. [REDACTED] Nurse Specialist, Dept of Urology, RSCH</p> <p>Who may find it useful or of interest. I am also under a duty to send the Chief Coroner a copy of your response.</p> <p>The Chief Coroner may publish either or both in a complete or redacted or summary form. He may send a copy of this report to any person who he believes may find it useful or of interest. You may make representations to me, the coroner, at the time of your response, about the release or the publication of your response by the Chief Coroner.</p>
9	<p>Date: 17th January 2018</p> <p>SIGNED BY:  Senior Coroner Brighton and Hove</p>